

Title 33
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Part I. Office of the Secretary

Subpart 1. Departmental Administrative Procedures

Chapter 12. Requests for Review of Environmental Conditions

§1201. Applicability and Scope

A. This Chapter applies to reviews by the department of reports of environmental conditions at specified tracts of immovable property when such reports from site investigations are not required or requested by the administrative authority.

B. Nothing herein shall be construed to diminish the responsibility of any person (e.g., owner, operator, employee, agent, contractor, or assign) having knowledge of the presence at any site of any hazardous substance, hazardous waste, hazardous waste constituent, or other pollutant or contaminant, to notify the department pursuant to LAC 33:I.Chapter 39. If additional information becomes available to indicate that the source of the release is a current discharge or a discharge that should have been reported, enforcement action may be taken.

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§1203. Procedure for Submittal of Request

A. All requests for reviews by the department of reports of environmental conditions shall be accompanied by an initial \$1500 minimum fee. All payments shall be made by check, draft, or money order payable to the Department of Environmental Quality.

B. Contents of Request. An applicant requesting a review of environmental conditions for specific immovable property shall furnish the following information:

1. the agency interest number or a completed agency interest form from the department identifying the facility/agency interest;
2. the area of investigation, if different from the facility/agency interest location;
3. the basis for the request;
4. the purpose of the use of the property and the date-range of the use;
5. a brief description of activities that occurred on the property;
6. the future intended use of the property;
7. the types and results of investigations that have occurred, including the following information:
 - a. report dates;
 - b. the media investigated;
 - c. the constituents of concern (COC);
 - d. the maximum remaining concentration of the COC; and
 - e. the limiting RECAP standards for the COC;
8. any remedial standards previously developed for the property;
9. any remedial actions taken for the property; and

10. any other information requested by the administrative authority.

C. An applicant shall submit the request for review, in accordance with the requirements of Subsection B of this Section, in triplicate, with the initial minimum fee in Subsection A of this Section, to the administrator of the Office of Environmental Assessment, Remediation Services Division.

D. The administrative authority will issue the result of the review to the owner/operator of the facility and to the person requesting the review.

E. The administrative authority shall keep an accounting of time spent by the department civil service employee processing the review request. Every hour or portion thereof that the department civil service employee works processing the request shall be multiplied by the maximum per-hour overtime salary, including associated related benefits, of the department civil service employee who performed the work. If this amount exceeds the initial minimum fee charged pursuant to R.S. 30:2011(D)(25) and Subsection A of this Section, an additional fee shall be charged for the amount exceeding the initial minimum fee.

1. An invoice for the additional fee shall be transmitted to the person requesting the review after the review is complete.

2. Failure to pay the additional fee by the due date specified on the invoice will constitute a violation of these regulations and shall subject the person requesting the review to relevant enforcement action under the Louisiana Environmental Quality Act.

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